



# WELCOME TO ST. BRENDAN'S PARISH

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Christ in community...the heart of our faith

Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 28 August 2016



Readings for  
this week.

Sirach 3:17-20, 28-29.  
Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24.  
Luke 14:1, 7-14.



Readings for  
next Sunday:

Wisdom 9:13-18.  
Philemon 9-10, 12-17.  
Luke 14:25-33.



## Liturgical Jottings

Variety in the colour of the vestments is meant to give effective outward expression to the specific character of the mysteries of the faith being celebrated and, in the course of the year, to a sense of progress in the Christian life". White symbolises the presence of the resurrected Lord in the church and his saints, Red reflects the burning intensity of Christ's love in his death on the cross, in the blood shed by his martyrs, and in the fire of the Spirit poured out. Purple (violet) connotes both the church's share in the kingship of Christ (John 19:1) and how it was realised through the suffering and death caused by our sins. Finally, green recalls how the same Christ through whom the outer green world was created (Col 1:16) is also the source of the church's inner life and growth throughout the year. New Dictionary of Sacramental Worship.

## Looking at the Readings

Reversal continues to be our theme, from last Sunday: choosing the lowest place rather than the place of honour, and inviting the poor and handicapped rather than the well-off who might reciprocate.

Our society has become increasingly self-centred, and less community focused. "Look after Number One" underlies much of the culture that surrounds us. Jesus invites us to follow a different path, the way of putting others first. Think of people you know who are like this – maybe your parents, grandparents or those quiet back-room workers that make things happen for others in every community. We can think of what these people do as self-sacrifice, or even self-denial. But there is really a reversal in play here, as these people actually help to create a community where life is much richer for them and for everyone else too.

Life is not all about me as an individual. It is more about what we can enable and empower in or family and our community. As we give our time and energy to build a better and stronger community, we do not in fact do harm to ourselves. Quite the contrary, we reap the reward of a much richer community to live in and enjoy sharing with all whom we love.

## Feast of the Week

### The Passion of John the Baptist, Monday 29 August

John the Baptist has two feast days, his Birth on 24 June and his Passion (formerly the Beheading). Described as the greatest prophet for even at his birth he was proclaimed to make known to the people their salvation. He is also described as the most tragic because of his death at the hands of a weak and fearful king. He preached forgiveness of sins and pointed out the Saviour.

## On the Lighter Side

A Teacher described to her class that John the Baptist wore animal skins and ate wild locust. His clothes and food were quite different to his family and friends. Then she asked: "Where did John the Baptist get his clothes? Heather immediately answered, "From California!"



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# Notices

**Please take care when accessing all areas around the Church and Mons Jeffrey Centre.**

**Access to the Mons Jeffrey Centre is from the east side of the Church only.**

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**Multifaith Prayer For New Arrivals**

Solidarity in Mercy and Compassion *Sunday 28th August*  
3pm - 4.30pm Mooroopna Community Hub, 23 Alexandra St,  
Mooroopna (enter via Morelle Street)

RSVP: web@sheppartoninterfaith.com.au All Welcome.

*Supported by Shepparton Interfaith Network;*

*St Mary's Parish, Mooroopna; and Sadaat Foundation.*

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**Anointing Mass** next Wednesday 31st August at 11am

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**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**

**for those wishing to become Catholic**



Beginning next **Thursday 1st September at 7.30pm**  
in the Mons Jeffrey Centre (behind the Church).

We invite people interested in finding out about the process to come along. If you have any queries please contact Fr. Joe, Fr. Berny or Anthony on 5821 2633.

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**Serra Club** invite you to join us this 1st *Friday September 3rd*. Adoration will continue until 7.25 pm (from 3pm). Begins with a blessing followed by Mass and prayers for vocations and priests. Afterwards in the Mons Jeffrey Centre we will enjoy a cuppa and our film this month will be on the "Glorious Mysteries" in honour of Our Lady's Birthday. All welcome.

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**'The Psalms of Mercy'** *Saturday 3rd September* 10.30am to 3pm. Morning tea 10am. The Mercy Centre, Sacred Heart Primary School, Hogan Street, Tatura.

The purpose of this day is to provide a time of reflection and prayer on the *Psalms of Mercy*, in this Year of Mercy.

This will be a day we can come together, as a Diocesan community and family, to pray about the gifts of Mercy in our lives, and deepen our understanding and experience of God's Mercy. Presenters include: Bishop Les, Fr Brian Boyle, Maria Weatherill & Lyn Breen. Morning tea & lunch provided (gold coin donation for lunch would be appreciated).

Phone/email 54412544 adultfaith@sandhurst.catholic.org.au  
*See flyer on the noticeboard.*

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**Christian Meditation** will re-commence on *Monday 5th September* in Mons Jeffrey Centre at 7.30pm. All welcome.

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**'A Spirituality of Mercy' Living the Joy of the Gospel in Parish Life** With Dr Susan Timoney.

*Wednesday 7th September* 7.30pm Starkey Hall, Notre Dame College. Dr Susan brings a wealth of experience and insights into parish ministry, evangelisation, lay vocations and mission and Catholic Spirituality. No cost. Bookings by 5th September would assist planning 54412544

or email: adultfaith@sandhurst.catholic.org.au

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**eConference** *Tuesday 20th September*

in the Mons Jeffrey Centre at 10am for 10.30am start.

Details to follow. *See the flyer on the noticeboard.*

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**Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz** *Sunday 25th September*

at St Mel's Church, Hamilton Street. 9.30am.

Details to follow. *See the flyer on the noticeboard.*

**Gluten Free Hosts** If you would like to receive

Holy Communion but have trouble with coeliac or food intolerances we have a supply of gluten free hosts.

Please see Father before Mass so a pyx can be arranged for you (via sacristy door in the west side entrance).

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**Disabled Car Parking around the Church**

Please respect the needs of our disabled parishioners and **NO NOT park in designated disabled car parks around the church unless you have a disabled sticker.**

These parks are for people who genuinely need to park close to the Church because of disability or injury.

**This is for all Masses—weekday and weekend. Thank you.**

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**Priests Retirement Foundation of Sandhurst Diocese**

The annual collection for Retired Priests will be held on Sunday 4th September, Father's Day. There will be a leaving collection at the end of Mass. *Let's support our wonderful retired priests who have served us so well.*

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**Piety Stall** There are some beautiful gifts in the piety stall, ideal for the celebration of Confirmation and First Eucharist this weekend. *You'll be pleasantly surprised!*

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**Children's Liturgy** will not be held this weekend.

Children's Liturgy is normally held at 11am Mass every Sunday during school term.

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**2016 Stronger Retreat 16th—18th September**

*Registrations closing soon. Register Now!*

If you're 16-25 join us for a weekend of fun, growing in discipleship and learning about your faith. Registrations at strongeryouth.com. For info follow @StrongerYouth or email Danii at Danielle.sullivan@sandhurst.catholic.org.au

*See the flyer on the noticeboard.*

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**Statements for the Financial Year**

**for giving by Credit Card & Debit Card** are available from the Parish office. Thank you all for your continued commitment to the financial welfare of the Parish.

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**Faith and Light Community** MacKillop Faith & Light Community travelled to Keilor Downs last Sunday for Mass at Mary MacKillop Church where Mons Portelli welcomed us. After Mass we went out for lunch and a great time was had by all! *Faith & Light will not be gathering next weekend as it is Father's Day. ~Denise*

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**Slide Presentations at Weekend Masses** If any parish group wishes to make a slide presentation during the weekend Masses, please contact Loretta in the preceding week so that we can more readily accommodate you, and make any necessary adjustments, so avoiding disappointment on the day. *Thank you.*

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# Confirmation and First Eucharist

We welcome Bishop Leslie Tomlinson to St Brendan's Parish this weekend for the special celebrations of Confirmation and First Eucharist.

We also warmly welcome the families of the children and visitors to this wonderful celebration in our Parish.

This is a most sacred occasion in the life and faith journey of our children.

Please keep our young parishioners and their families in your prayers.



## Let's Celebrate

Parents, family members, friends and parishioners are invited and encouraged to come and celebrate with the Sacramental candidates as they celebrate being fully initiated into the Catholic Church.

The celebrations begin with **morning Mass** at 9.30am (not 9.15am) next **Wednesday 31st August** followed by celebrations on the lawns.

A cuppa and food will be provided.

The Sacramental candidates will receive their *Certificates of Confirmation and First Eucharist* during the 6pm Mass next weekend, Saturday 3rd September and 11am Mass on Sunday 4th September.



Friday 26th August	Saturday 27th August	Sunday 28th August	Sunday 28th August
6:30pm	6pm	11am	2pm
Thomas Cucinotta	Joshua Thomas	Declan Keady	Sienna Winbanks
Liam Pelly	Sophie Collins	Hannah Burke	Nancy Dyar
Beau Talarico	Makayla Dichiera	Ella Tennent	Jacob Draper
Caleb Hueston	Leanne Luzuriaga	Darcy Smyth	Liam Kendall
Jasmine Talarico	Keelan Phillips	Zachary Bathman	Gracielle Igat
Claudia Rullo	Montanna Burke	Amy Maria Jude	Ella Presley
Judd Talarico	Caidan Phillips	Nyareak Ajack	Zaydan Leocata
Maya Doyle	Matilda Keenan	Megan Payne	Emi Eziokwu
Isabella Henry	Addison Fiore	Butrose Chol	Mia Scott
Mitchell Grumley	Cassandra Matthews	Amy Lees	Georgia Hoornweg
Charlotte Henry	Isabelle Ash	Ajok Riak	Jordan Hamlyn
Flynn Grumley	Christopher Boschetti	Maddi Lees	Andrei Chong
Archer Wallace	Victoria Martello	Orlando Bevilacqua	Bianca Kezerle
Blake Anderson	Noah O'Dwyer	Evie Barca	Ethan Kezerle
Zac Anderson	Lily Byers	Alex Barca	Lily Hall
Isaac Rachele	Chelsea Mackay	Ava Vittorio	Keira Muskee
Amy Gardner	Samuel Holland	Jordyn Murphy	Liam Mahony
Lucas Rachele	Benjamin Sherlock	Hudson Thompson-Fethney	Rory Duffy
Logan Campbell	Emily Cardillo	Fletcher Thompson-Fethney	Sean Mahony
Ayva Cirillo	Liam Tuohey		Josie Lo Piccolo
Thomas Phillips	Gianni Natalizio		Flynn Bogdan
Bailey Darley	Anton Calandro		
	Ryan Schwarz		
	Thomas Ranson		
	Mia Rictchie		
	Susan Deng		

### *Weekend Mass Times*

Saturday Vigil 6pm

Sunday 8am and 11am

### *Weekday Mass Times*

Tuesday to Friday 9.15am

Wednesday 31st August 9.30am (not 9.15am)

Thursday at Ave Maria Village 4.30pm

### *Other Mass Times*

Mass of Anointing, Wednesday preceding the first Friday of each month at 11am

Mass at Tarcoola, second Wednesday of each month 10.30am

Syro Malabar Mass, third Sunday of each month 5.30pm

### *Reconciliation*

Saturday mornings 9.30am-10.30am

Before 9.15am weekday masses

### *Holy Hour*

Thursdays 7pm to 8pm

### *Eucharistic Adoration*

Fridays 3pm to 6pm

### *Holy Rosary*

Pray the Rosary after 8am Mass Sundays

*Children's Liturgy of the Word* 11am Mass

### *Sacraments*

Baptism, 4th Sunday of each month except December which is the 3rd Sunday, January by arrangement.

For information and bookings Contact the Parish Office.

First Eucharist and Confirmation, contact the Parish office.

Weddings, for information/bookings contact the Parish office.

### *Parish Schools*

St Brendan's Primary School 5821 1926

St Luke's Primary School 5822 1834

Notre Dame College 5822 8400

### *Regular Meetings*

Altar Society - Morning coffee 1st Friday monthly 10am at The Last Straw Café

Catholic Mothers of Young Children - 1st & 3rd Thursday monthly 10am in the Parish Centre

Catholic Women's League (CWL) - 2nd Thursday monthly 1pm, Parish Centre

Charismatic Prayer Group - Tuesdays 7.30pm, Parish Centre

Christian Meditation - Mondays 7.30pm, \*\*\*In recess

Faith and Light Community - 1st Sunday month

Friendship Group - Third Sunday monthly for lunch at 12.30

Garabandal - 3rd Monday monthly 1.30pm, Parish centre

Gospel Discussion Group - in recess until further notice.

All enquiries welcome (phone the Parish office).

Men's Group - Saturday fortnightly 7.30am in the Parish centre. Contact the Parish office.

Playgroup - Mondays 10am at Ave Maria Village

Serra Club - 1st Friday monthly 7.15pm, Church & Parish Centre

Society of St. Vincent de Paul - 2nd Thursday monthly 7pm

### *Lectors 27th & 28th August*

**6pm** D Tarquini, Sr F Kennedy

**8am** L Boschetti, P Guthrie

**11am** S Pivac, M Frizzell



### RECENTLY DECEASED:

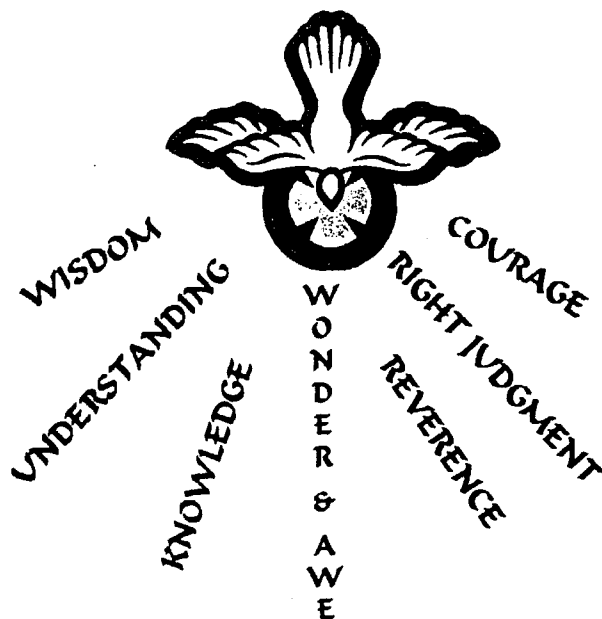
ANNIVERSARIES: Frank Demasi, Maria Portea, Thomas Francis.

## Reflection

Gracious God, remind me  
that I am never alone.

Through your grace  
heighten my awareness  
that you and your way  
are all I need.

Amen



### *Mass times in neighbouring Parishes*

St. Mel's Shepparton South, Sunday 9.30am & 5.30pm (1st Sunday of the month, Rosary before each Mass)

Tuesday to Thursday 8am, Friday 9.15am.

Saturday 9.00am followed by Rosary.

Reconciliation, Saturday morning 9.30am to 10am.

St. Mary's Dookie, 1st, 3rd, 4th & 5th Sundays 9.30am

St. Bernard's Katandra West, 2nd Sunday 9.30am

St. Mary's Mooroopna, Saturday 6.30pm Vigil Mass,

Sunday 10.00am Mass, Monday No Mass,

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 6pm Mass,

Friday 10am Mass. Reconciliation Saturday 10.30am - 11am.

St. Joseph's Undera, 2nd Sunday of the month 8.30am.